

Whittington Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting Tuesday 26th May 2015 Following the Annual General Meeting
In Whittington Village Hall

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1212. Present: Cllrs Eric Pelter, Barbara Atkinson, Colin Hall, Ted Lawson, 2 members of the public and the Clerk Gillian Hodgson. Apologies were received from Cllr Stuart Close and City Cllr Peter Williamson.

1213 PACT

2 crimes were reported in March. Burglary on or near Main Street - The Village Hall and Vehicle Crime on or near Manor Farm.

The link to local crime figures online www.police.uk Lancashire Constabulary > Upper Lune Valley, enter your postcode. Contact Us : PC Rob Barnsley or PCSO 7109 Sarah Shepherd can be contacted on tel no 101 or you can email us at carnforth.npt@lancashire.pnn.police.uk (please do not use this email to report crime or suspicious incidents – please ring in and ask for a log to be created). If you would like to receive local & relevant information regarding police issues you can register online at www.registration.lancashire.police.uk/registration/ or <http://www.lancashire.police.uk/intheknow>

1214. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 3rd March 2015 were read and signed as a true record by Cllr Pelter.

1215. Clerk's Report (matters arising):

A65 Low Biggins heavy traffic to Hutton Roof Saw Mill resolved, sign removed. Surface dressing completed during May. Potholes in Docker and Burrow Mill Lane continues to be a problem. 5 nominations were received for 5 Parish Council seats so no election was necessary. City Cllr Peter Williams continues to represent Whittington. Dates of meetings to change to third Monday of month, unless stated otherwise.

1216. Finance

Cllrs agreed on the following payments: LALC subs of £84.47 ; AON Insurance renewal £358.34 ; Annual rent Whittington Village Hall £150.00 ; Internal auditor Anne Pettifog £10.00 ; JD & P Pinch £186.10 ; Whittington Village Hall strimmer £36.47

Accounts and Annual Return and Governance Statement agreed by Cllrs, signed at the meeting by the Clerk and Cllr Pelter.

Current balance of accounts: Current Account sheet 255 9th April £3,553.48
Bonus saver Account sheet 45 25th Feb £143.17

1217. Planning

15/00261/LB Listed Building application for the installation of 3 roof lights and the removal of an internal wall to facilitate the conversion of the garage to ancillary accommodation associated with 2 Cross Cottages for Mr&Mrs Ian Hunter, 2 Cross Cottages, Main Street, Whittington, LA6 2NX

15/0051/TCA Fell x2 trees for Mr John Lawrence, St Michaels House, Main Street, Whittington, LA6 2NX

15/00001/REF Erection of a 80 metre high wind turbine from ground to blade tip, transformer, substation, temporary construction area, new access track and alterations to existing access arrangements for Mr James Hopkins, Sunny Bank Farm, Kikrby Lonsdale Road, Arkholme, LA6 1BG
This appeal is against a refusal of planning permission. Planning applications available for public viewing at <http://planapps.lancaster.gov.uk/publicaccess/>

1218. Correspondence received & discussed

LALC Future meeting dates ; 1st June Melling Institute. Spring Conference 6th June Leyland Hotel.

The Licensing Authority North-Western Area Application for heavy Goods Vehicle operators Licence OC1136452 R received from G Mackereth & Son Ltd, Low Hall Farm, Whittington, LA6 2NY

Authorisation 1 vehicle 0 trailers

NALC FO3-15 Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 Commencement Orders

Lancashire County Council .Consultation on the Draft Lancashire Public Rights of Way improvement plan. Consultation of the Draft Lancaster Highways and Transport Masterplan. April Environment Bulletin

Cumbria County Council Town and Country Planning Regulations 2012 Regulation 18 Consultation.

LCR Spring issue; Clerks & Councils Direct newsletter magazine March issue 98 & May issue 99.

1219. Business introduced by Councillors

Cllr Atkinson reported increase of speeding vehicles through the village, some drivers on their phone also. PACT advice is to report the registration number, date, time and location for a Police Officer to advise the driver on their driving skills. Clerk to contact QES, PACT, Lancaster City and Lancashire County Council.

Cllr Atkinson also reported a problem with recycling boxes and lids being blown down the Main Street, possibly causing a hazard.

War memorial conservation project - funding available from Civic Voice, in partnership with English Heritage, Imperial War Museums and War Memorials Trust. www.civicvoice.org.uk

Date of next meeting Monday 29th June 2015 7.30pm in Whittington Village Hall.